

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

|                                 |   |                            |
|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| In re Patent Application of     | ) | <b>MAIL STOP AMENDMENT</b> |
| Jean-Christophe Leroux et al.   | ) | Group Art Unit: 1615       |
| Application No.: 10/507,281     | ) | Examiner: ARADHANA SASAN   |
| Filed: June 9, 2005             | ) | Confirmation No.: 4230     |
| For: COMPOSITION HAVING GELLING | ) |                            |
| PROPERTIES FOR THE              | ) |                            |
| PROLONGED DELIVERY OF           | ) |                            |
| BIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES            | ) |                            |

**Amendment and Reply**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 3, 2009, please first amend the  
above-identified patent application as follows: